

## Commonwealth of Kentucky Justice and Public Safety Cabinet

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Kentucky's Sourcebook of criminal justice stats wins national award FRANKFORT, Ky. – The Justice and Public Safety Cabinet's *Sourcebook of Criminal Justice Statistics in the Commonwealth, 2008,* which compiles valuable information on crime, arrest, prosecution, correction, and juvenile justice system trends, has won the Phillip Hoke National Publication Award for Excellence.

The award was presented to *Sourcebook* author Emily Raine Koyagi by the Justice Research and Statistics Association (JRSA) in October at the annual Bureau of Justice Statistics/JRSA conference.

"By providing comprehensive information from all components of the criminal justice system, the Sourcebook continues to encourage data-driven decision making to aid effective criminal justice policy development in the 21st century," said Justice Secretary J. Michael Brown.

The *Sourcebook* reflects the Cabinet's seventh initiative to provide policymakers, state officials, and citizens with comprehensive information from all components of the criminal justice system to allow improved analysis of criminal justice issues and to help guide decision-making and promote effective policy development. The publication is developed by the Statistical Analysis Center, an arm of the Justice Cabinet.

The Phillip Hoke Award recognizes outstanding publications by state Statistical Analysis Centers. JRSA presents the award annually to SACs that have demonstrated excellence in translating statistics and research into publications that inform policy.

To access the Sourcebook of Criminal Justice Statistics in the Commonwealth, 2008, or any other SAC publication, visit

http://www.justice.ky.gov/departments/gmb/Statistical+Analysis+Center.htm